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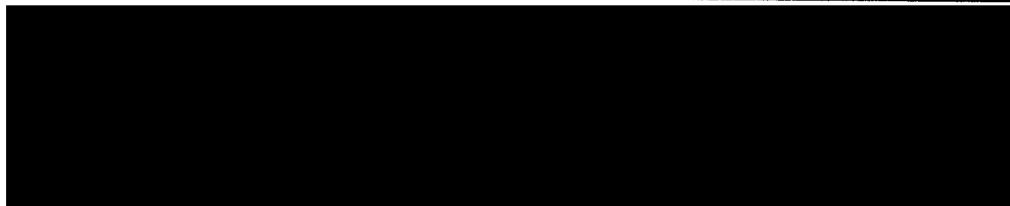
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1. [REDACTED] the following five training units¹ of the Kwangsi Military District moved from Wuming (N 23-12, E 108-15) to the Nanning suburbs: the health school of the Supply and Service Command; the veterinary school; the drivers' training unit; the mobile car training unit; and the bombing and raiding training class. These classes moved into more suitable barracks that had been constructed by the Kwangsi Military District Command at Lingt'iehts'un (0407/6993/2526), about 15 kilometers south of Nanning. The Political Department of the Kwangsi Military District was also at Lingt'iehts'un.
2. In April the Kwangsi Military District established a T'ung(0302) nationality armed force, adapted to the characteristics of the T'ung tribe and designed to expand the number of armed troops in the area.² On 1 November the Kwangsi Military District authorized the T'ung nationality self-governing district government to organize a T'ung tribe self-defense army under the Kwangsi Military District and with the principal officers appointed by the Kwangsi Military District. This enlarged armed force was necessitated by the difference in language and customs within the T'ung tribe and the tribe's dispersed populace. The T'ung tribe was permitted to recommend persons with experience in Communist organization and executive work as deputy officers of the T'ung army's principal units. The Kwangsi Military District was responsible for training the T'ung army. The chief mission of the army was to maintain local order, and the army was not to participate in regular army operations although individual members could volunteer. The T'ung army temporarily was to comprise 10 regiments.

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3. In early November the headquarters of the T'ung army was at Paise (N 23-55, E 106-34) and under the command of T'AN Ying-chi (6009/2019/2894), a T'ung tribal member and chief of the Kwangsi Public Security Department. After the self-defense army was established, the original armed force became the T'ung tribe self-governing district force under the control of the T'ung tribe self-governing district government.

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